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NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY ANTI-TERRORISM SUMMARY



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Nothing Significant to Report

REGIONAL

(Minnesota) **Minnesota DNR notifying people of unauthorized access to records.** Minnesota Department of Natural Resources notified 5,000 people of possible identity fraud after a former employee accessed their information without authorization. Source:

http://www.kdlt.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=23372&Itemid=57

NATIONAL

Nothing Significant to Report

INTERNATIONAL

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BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY

2 prison inmates claim \$1.1 billion in tax refunds; 173,000 fraudulent prison tax returns uncovered. A report by the Treasury Department's inspector general for tax administration states prison inmates filed over 173,00 fake tax returns in 2012 using false information. The Internal Revenue Service halted \$2.2 billion in fraudulent returns in 2012, attributing \$1.1 billion of it to a claim filed by two inmates. Source:

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/01/18/prison-tax-fraud-billion-refund-inmates_n_2502137.html?1358520561&icid=maing-grid7|maing10|dl17|sec1_lnk3&pLid=258775

CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

(California) **LAPD arrests 3 in connection with Nordstrom rack hostage-taking robbery.**

Authorities arrested three suspects in connection to a hostage situation involving 14 store employees, one of which was stabbed and another sexually assaulted, in Los Angeles January 10. Source: <http://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2013/01/13/report-2-arrested-in-connection-with-nordstrom-rack-hostage-taking-robbery/>

COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

Nothing Significant to Report

DEFENSE/ INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

Hong Kong man charged with stealing US military equipment. A man from Hong Kong was arrested January 14 at the San Francisco Airport after being accused of smuggling stolen military devices into the U.S., improperly importing goods, and providing false statements on the origin of the devices from 2005 through 2009. Source:

<http://www.scmp.com/news/hongkong/article/1129345/hong-kong-man-charged-stealing-us-military-equipment>

EMERGENCY SERVICES

(Arkansas) Ark. woman dies after 911 call not put in system. A woman died and her five-year-old son was in serious condition after a 9-1-1 dispatcher did not follow proper protocol and may have caused a delay in response to the victims. Source:

http://www.stltoday.com/news/national/ark-woman-dies-after-call-not-put-in-system/article_6ba9efe4-dea5-5504-8b93-419e26e36c6a.html

ENERGY

(Georgia) 3 arrested for stealing copper from power station. Three individuals were arrested and jailed in Cherokee County for stealing around 162 pounds of copper from a power substation located in Waleska. Source: <http://www.11alive.com/news/article/272594/40/3-arrested-for-stealing-copper-from-power-station>

Malware infects two power plants lacking basic security controls. Recently, malware attacks at two energy companies infiltrated critical networks, highlighting the need for companies to adhere to best practices in protecting their networks from cyber attacks. A report from the Industrial Control Systems Cyber Emergency Response Team suggested cleaning USB drives after each use, maintaining system backups, and other methods as a way to mitigate threats against industrial control systems. Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/malware-infects-two-power-plants-lacking-basic-security-controls-011413

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

(Washington) Suspected case of bovine tuberculosis discovered in dairy cow. January 16 test results showed a slaughtered dairy cow to have possibly been infected with bovine tuberculosis. Source: <http://agr.wa.gov/News/2013/13-02.aspx>

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Frozen poultry products recalled due to lack of inspection. Humphrey's Market, Inc. recalled its frozen, ready-to-eat, and raw poultry products because they were not inspected prior to distribution. Source: http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/01/frozen-poultry-products-recalled-due-to-lack-of-inspection/#.UPk_xh2Cm58

Lettuce for KFC and Taco Bell in Canada recalled. FreshPoint in Toronto recalled its Flashpoint lettuce products distributed to KFC and Taco Bell in Canada, after testing attributed the products to an outbreak involving some 26 instances of contamination from E. coli O1567:H7. Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2013/01/lettuce-for-kfc-and-taco-bell-in-canada-recalled/#.UPP25h2Cm58>

GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

Many Fed smartphones have zero password protection. A Government Accountability Office report stated Federal Government-issued mobile devices are susceptible to hacking due to their lack of password protection. Out of half of all Federal employees, one in three is not protected and 85 percent contain downloaded unrestricted apps that make the devices more vulnerable to attacks. Source: <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=14254>

(Kentucky) Police: Deadly Hazard campus shooting was domestic situation. An incident in the parking lot of Hazard Community and Technical College left two victims dead and one in critical condition January 15. The shooter turned himself in to police after the attack and faces several charges. Source: <http://www.wkyt.com/wymt/home/headlines/Police-Two-dead-in-shooting-at-Hazard-Community-Technical-College-187033371.html>

(Connecticut) 2 arrested after allegedly planting fake bomb at East Hampton Middle School. Authorities arrested two suspects January 12 when they tried to plant a fake bomb at East Hampton Middle School, the venue for a youth basketball league that day. Source: <http://middletownpress.com/articles/2013/01/12/news/doc50f20ef329836441458301.txt?viewmode=fullstory>

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Red October cyber espionage campaign relied on Java exploit to infect computers. Researchers at Seculert analyzed the recently-discovered 'Red October' cyber espionage campaign and found that it had also utilized a Java vulnerability to disseminate malware. Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/Red-October-Cyber-Espionage-Campaign-Relied-on-Java-Exploit-to-Infect-Computers-321319.shtml>

Cybersleuths uncover 5-year spy operation targeting governments, others. Kaspersky Lab researchers uncovered a sophisticated, long-running cyber espionage campaign targeting

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governments, energy companies, embassies, and aerospace companies dubbed 'Red October.' The malware used is customized to individual targets, uses a complex command and control system, and utilizes spear phishing attacks to infect victims. Source:

<http://www.wired.com/threatlevel/2013/01/red-october-spy-campaign/all/>

NATIONAL MONUMENTS AND ICONS

(Pennsylvania) Police: Fake fire inspector steals from Philly landmarks. A man known to mimic civil servants was arrested after stealing several items worth thousands of dollars by imitating a Philadelphia fire inspector. He wore a uniform and provided false credentials while demanding to conduct inspections on various properties he burglarized. Source:

<http://abclocal.go.com/wpvi/story?section=news/local&id=8953019>

POSTAL AND SHIPPING

(Virginia) Man arrested in post office bomb threat. A man was arrested in Spotsylvania County after attempting to rob a post office by placing a packaged fake device on the counter and claiming it was a bomb. Source: <http://fredericksburg.patch.com/articles/man-arrested-in-post-office-bomb-threat>

PUBLIC HEALTH

U.S. faces drug shortages in treating multidrug-resistant TB. A National Tuberculosis Controllers Association survey of health departments illustrates that around 80 percent of health facilities that treat tuberculosis (TB) are finding a shortage of drugs that are able to treat the new, resistant strains of TB. Source: <http://www.chicagotribune.com/sns-rt-usa-healthtuberculosisl1e9chgno-20130117,0,3943781.story>

Researchers easily crack Philips hospital IT system. Researchers claimed the Philips information management system Xper, largely used in hospital databases, has exploitable vulnerabilities that could compromise the confidentiality of its information. Source: <http://www.csoononline.com/article/727022/researchers-easily-crack-philips-hospital-it-system>

(Utah) Utah's Medicaid loses control of patient records, again. Around 6,000 Medicaid subscribers were being notified by the Utah Department of Health that their personal information has been compromised due a third-party contractor misplacing an unencrypted thumb drive that contained their records. Source: <http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/news/55643506-78/health-medicaid-data-goold.html.csp>

'Spot' shortages of flu vaccine, Tamiflu reported, FDA head says. U.S. health officials were reporting intermittent shortages of Tamiflu and the flu vaccine due to the sharp increase of flu cases throughout the country. Source: <http://health.usnews.com/healthnews/news/articles/2013/01/15/spot-shortagesof-flu-vaccine-tamiflu-reported-fda-head-says>

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3 strategies for strengthening internal data security practices. The Vice President of Public Sector Sales and Marketing at Dell identified three elements that may mitigate risk to healthcare IT systems: Two-factor identification, identity of service, and least privileges. Source: <http://www.healthcarefinancenews.com/news/3-strategies-strengthening-internal-data-security-practices>

St. Jude Medical gets FDA warning about problems at Sylmar plant. The Food and Drug Administration warned St. Jude about production inconsistencies on their implantable heart defibrillators, noting several quality-control problems. St. Jude said they are correcting the problems noted by the government. Source: <http://www.latimes.com/business/la-fi-fda-st-jude-20130115,0,5025416.story>

(New York) More than 19,000 flu cases reported in New York; declares public health emergency. The New York Governor's office announced a public health emergency due to the State's rise in reported flu cases. Source: http://auburnpub.com/blogs/eye_on_ny/cuomo-more-than-flu-cases-reported-in-new-york-declares/article_138de4f2-5d50-11e2-9d81-0019bb2963f4.html

TRANSPORTATION

(California) FAA regulators ground all Boeing 787 Dreamliners. The Federal Aviation Administration issued a directive to ground all Boeing 787 Dreamliner airplanes after a series of recent incidents highlighted some safety issues, most recently an emergency landing in Japan January 16. Source: <http://www.latimes.com/business/money/la-fi-mo-faa-regulators-ground-all-boeing-787-dreamliners-20130116,0,915540.story>

WATER AND DAMS

Nothing Significant to Report

HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: **North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center:** 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: ndslic@nd.gov; Fax: 701-328-8175 **State Radio:** 800-472-2121; **Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI):** 701-328-5500; **North Dakota Highway Patrol:** 701-328-2455; **US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst:** 701-297-7400; **Bismarck FBI:** 701-223-4875; **Fargo FBI:** 701-232-7241.

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